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### Prospective Offerors:

This letter transmits Request for Proposals (RFP), NO. DE-RP24-00OH20115, for environmental remediation and restoration activities at the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP). The Ohio Field Office (OH) of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is requesting interested organizations to submit proposals to achieve accelerated closure of the DOE-owned facility located near Cincinnati, Ohio. The selected Contractor will achieve site closure in accordance with Records of Decision (ROD's) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA).

This letter and the Executive Summary that follows provide only a summary of the salient elements of the RFP. Neither this letter nor the Executive Summary are an integral part of the RFP. In the event of any conflict between them and the RFP, the RFP will prevail. Offerors are cautioned to examine carefully the entire RFP.

The Government intends to award a cost-plus-incentive-fee (CPIF) completion contract resulting from this solicitation. A revised target cost and target fee will be negotiated with the successful Offeror following: its own due diligence review of project cost and schedule; and revised funding and technical guidance provided by DOE following contract award. As discussed more fully in the RFP, DOE will consider the degree of innovation and aggressiveness incorporated in the successful Contractor's approach to accelerate schedule and save costs when negotiating the revised target fee.

The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with Offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the Offeror's initial proposal should contain the Offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the right to conduct discussions, if the Government later determines them to be necessary. The Contract period will consist of the following:

Transition Period	Contract award through November 30, 2000
Full Performance Period	December 1, 2000 through site closure (Currently December 31, 2009)

Costs reimbursed by DOE during the Transition Period will not exceed \$1 million, and no fee will be paid. Fee for the Full Performance Period will consist of two portions: (1) Schedule Based Fee and (2) Cost Based Fee. All Schedule Based Fee will be set by DOE in the RFP. Elements of the Cost Based Fee will also be set by DOE in the RFP; however, Offerors may propose a lower maximum Cost Based Fee

portion if desired. The Government has established maximum totals for each fee portion in Section B.6.

The entire fee process is summarized in the Executive Summary and described in detail in Section B of the RFP. All fee will be paid on a provisional basis. In order to incentivize the successful Offeror to complete actions required for submittal and approval of a revised project baseline which incorporates its own due diligence review and revised DOE funding and technical guidance, the initial provisional rate will be applied only to the Cost Based Fee. Once the revised baseline, target cost, and target fee are agreed upon and approved, a revised provisional rate will be applied to both the Schedule Based Fee and Cost Based Fee.

Offerors are advised that the current project baseline for cost and schedule was developed by the current FEMP prime contractor, validated by the Ohio Field Office, and approved by DOE Headquarters based upon an older funding profile that included annual escalation. Subject to Congressional appropriations, current outyear funding targets are lower than baseline levels, and do not include escalation. Final guidance on the expected outyear funding profile will be provided to the successful Offeror by DOE after award, and DOE and the successful Offeror will enter into negotiations for target cost and schedule revisions as required.

A Source Evaluation Board (SEB) will evaluate proposals and submit its findings to the Source Selection Official (SSO) for selection. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria in Section M of the RFP and applicable Federal laws and regulations.

A draft version of this RFP was issued for comment by DOE on March 3, 2000. A site tour of the FEMP was conducted for potential Offerors on March 21, 2000. Comments on the Draft RFP from interested parties were accepted by DOE through March 31, 2000. Written responses to the questions and comments received on the Draft RFP are being published on the FEMP SEB home page concurrent with issuance and publication of this final RFP. The FEMP SEB home page is located at:

<http://www.ohio.doe.gov/fernald>

Offers are due on July 14, 2000, and must comply with the provisions of Section L.20. All recipients of this RFP are cautioned to contact only the designated DOE point of contact (Loretta Parsons) until after contract award. The electronic mail address for the FEMP SEB is:

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Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

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